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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

| This    | is a Request for Continue | ed Examir | nation (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of application Serial |  |
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| entitle | ed Drug Delivery Ste      | nt        |   |  |
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NOTE: 37 CFR § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

| 1. | SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114 |             |  |  |  |
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|    | a.[]                                     | <i>Prev</i> | iously Submitted Consider the amendment/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on |  |  |
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|    |  |             | (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)                        |  |  |
|    |  | ii.         | Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on          |  |  |

III. ☐ Other

b. X Enclosed

i. X Amendment/Reply

II. X Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other

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| 2.   | MISC     | ELLANEOUS   |
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|      | a.[]     | Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of month(s).  (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(l) required.)   |
|      | b        | Other   |
| 3.   | FEES     |   |
|      | a. X     | The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to: my VISA  |
|      |          | i. X RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) - \$810.00   |
|      |          | ii Petition (to withdraw from issue) fee under 37 CFR § 1.17 (h) -  |
| cha  | rge or   | nt of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Director is authorized to credit my VISA as required to correct the error (Form 2038 attached). Duplicate his letter are enclosed.   |
| exte | ension ( | or is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for of time for the appropriate length of time if not submitted with the reply. |

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Respectfully,

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